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*Providing a FIRST CHOICE community  
through excellence in public service*

## From the Director Mike Mabe



Author Neil Gaiman once said, "Google can bring you back 100,000 answers but a librarian can bring you back the right one." Librarians have gone through a transition the past few decades, but their core mission remains the same: to help customers find and use information.

According to Chesterfield County Public Library librarian Lori Purcell, librarians have two important tasks: to quickly find the required information and to convey the information in a way that works for the customer. Learning and teaching are integral parts of the give-and-take relationship of librarians and customers. CCPL librarians teach classes on many different topics, including how to use a computer or 3D printer, write a résumé and research family history – but they also teach and learn in small ways every day.

Former First Lady Michelle Obama has indicated that the most powerful thing libraries do each day is enrich and enlarge our lives. Enriching and enlarging lives today includes more than just recommending books or answering questions. Today's librarians are key players in their communities, stepping outside traditional roles to render assistance. Consider the example of Scott Bonner, director at the Ferguson Municipal Library in Ferguson, Missouri. When turmoil and riots hit his town, Mr. Bonner kept the libraries open throughout the trying time, making the public library a safe place for all county residents. When schools were closed, kids were able to spend time and find safety at the library.

To support community needs, librarians must be empathetic, responsive and adaptive to all situations. Today, standard training for public librarians includes mental health assistance, de-escalating tense situations, helping youth in crisis and even working with police and EMTs when patrons need emergency help. CCPL is proud of our place in the community in support of small business, youth robotic teams, arts and cultural programming, financial literacy and survivor assistance during natural disasters.

April 9-15 is National Library Week. First sponsored in 1958, National Library Week is a national observance sponsored by the American Library Association and libraries across the country each April. It is a time to celebrate the contributions of our nation's libraries and librarians and to promote library use and support. This year's theme is "Libraries Transform." We invite you to celebrate National Library Week with us by visiting the Chesterfield County Public Library and discovering how we have transformed to help you transform.

### Coming Soon ...

Baxter Perkinson Center for the Arts, Chesterfield's premier venue for showcasing performing, visual and cultural arts, will be built adjacent to the Chester Library.

For more information, visit [www.artschesterfieldva.org](http://www.artschesterfieldva.org).



**Chesterfield Cultural Arts Foundation**

## Homegoing

Yaa Gyasi, a graduate of the prestigious Iowa Writers' Workshop, is the author of "Homegoing," a New York Times best seller and one of the most talked-about novels of 2016. Gyasi's debut novel moves through histories and geographies as it follows two African half-sisters—one sold into slavery, the other married to a British officer. The book spans more than 200 years, tracing the generations of family that follow. The result is a timely, riveting portrayal of the global African Diaspora and the aftereffects that linger on to this day.

*Friends of the Chesterfield County Public Library will have priority seating and are invited to a pre-event reception and book signing that will begin at 6 p.m.*

**Saturday, April 22, 7-8:30 p.m.**

**Meadowdale Library**

4301 Meadowdale Blvd.

North Chesterfield, 23234



Registration is required and begins Feb. 25. • Please call 804-751-CCPL for more information.  
For more information on this speaker please visit [www.prhspeakers.com](http://www.prhspeakers.com).

## Friends of the Chesterfield County Public Library



Book sales are an important way for the Friends of the Chesterfield County Public Library to raise money to support the library. Friends member Jane stocks the LaPrade book sale corner each week with gently used fiction, nonfiction, paperbacks, hardbacks, CDs and DVDs. Her granddaughter Meredith helps stock the books and earns community service points for a class at Monacan High School. Meredith is a Friends member too, as part of a family membership! The Friends' work is made possible thanks to volunteers like Jane and Meredith.

### Friends Annual Meeting

Mark your calendar for the month of May, when the Friends of the Chesterfield County Public Library will hold its annual meeting to elect a new president. The meeting includes a wonderful Friends' reception followed by a surprise guest speaker! For more information and to join the Friends, visit [chesterfieldfriends.org](http://chesterfieldfriends.org) or pick up a brochure at your library.

### Spring 2017 Book Sales hosted by the Friends of the Chesterfield County Public Library

LaPrade Library	Meadowdale Library	North Courthouse Road Library
Friday, March 24 · 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday, March 25 · 10 a.m.-4 p.m.	Thursday, April 6 · 10 a.m.-8:30 p.m. Friday, April 7 · 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday, April 8 · 10 a.m.-4 p.m.	Thursday, May 18 · 10 a.m.-9 p.m. Friday, May 19 · 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday, May 20 · 10 a.m.-5 p.m.



**Follow the Friends on Facebook**  
at [facebook.com/chesterfieldfriends](http://facebook.com/chesterfieldfriends).  
It's a great way to learn about Friends' events and get information!



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[ChesterfieldFriends.org](http://ChesterfieldFriends.org)



## Putting a Face on Finance and Facilities

If you ask Jenny Stevens, chief of Administrative Services, what her department does, be prepared for more than one answer. The staff of seven oversees facilities, special projects, budgets, procurement, supplies, timecards and staffing coordination. "There are things done every day that no one thinks about," said Stevens. "We do so many things behind the scenes to ensure that branches have what they need."

Each staff member is assigned to a specific area, but Stevens said one of the best things about the department is that the staff works as a team. "We have so many different tools that include many different levels of experiences," Stevens said. The group takes pride in working with the branches and other departments. The department is currently in the process of enhancing the customer experience at Clover Hill, LaPrade and Chester libraries by acquiring furniture designed to foster collaboration and learning. While the Administrative Services Department operates out of the Chesterfield County Public Library's Central location, you will see and feel its effects in all 10 libraries.



## Chester Library Art Exhibit and Reception

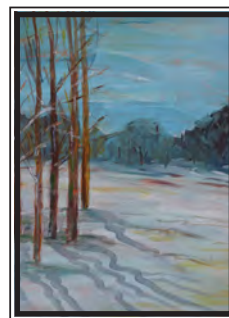
*Sponsored by the Chesterfield Cultural Arts Foundation with support from the Woman's Club of Chester.*



### Thomas Dale Art Students

**Exhibit: March 1-April 8**

Enjoy artwork from Thomas Dale High School's visual art students and from students attending the Thomas Dale Specialty Center for the Arts.



*From the artists: Donna and Lara Stables*

### Inspired by the Blue Ridge

**Exhibit: April 22-May 31**

**Reception: Saturday, May 6, 3-4:30 p.m.**

Prints and paintings inspired by the landscapes of Virginia. A love for the mountains from Natural Bridge family visits and the genre of the Blue Ridge landscape provides concepts for both artists to develop compositional schemes.

## Bon Air Victorian Days

### ► Saturday, May 6

#### **Book Sale • 10 a.m.- 4 p.m.**

with the Friends of the Chesterfield County Public Library

#### **Ice Cream Social • 10 a.m.-noon**

Enjoy free ice cream!

#### **Children's Craft • 10:30 -11:30 a.m.**

#### **"Little Women" • Noon-12:30 p.m.**

presented by Chesterfield Children's Theatre

#### **Lego Club • 1-3 p.m.**

Build a Victorian mansion.

### ► Monday, May 8

#### **Hazen Memorial Lecture: Poe's Richmond Revealed • 7-8 p.m.**

Although Edgar Allan Poe grew up, began his journalistic career, married, and spent a third of his life in Richmond, only a few traces of his presence can be found in Central Virginia. Fortunately, important discoveries of long-lost letters and artifacts — as well as scientific investigative techniques — are shining new light on Poe's hidden history. Join Poe Museum Curator Chris Semtner as we search for clues to the mysteries surrounding Poe's childhood, his marriage and the inspiration behind some of his greatest literary works.

### ► Tuesday, May 9

#### **The Secret Language of Flowers and Fans • 7-8 p.m.**

Learn how flowers and fans were used to communicate in the Victorian era. Historical storyteller Deborah Alsko will reveal the secret and subtle details.

### ► Wednesday, May 10

#### **The Banjo in Victorian America • 10:30-11:30 a.m.**

Carson Hudson, accomplished musician and historian, will play a variety of reproduction instruments as he demonstrates early banjos and the music that appealed to Victorian America.

### ► Thursday, May 11

#### **The Etiquette of Victorian Dress • 3-4 p.m.**

Journey through a typical day in the life of an upper class Gilded Age family with Nancy Lowden, Manager of Historical Programs at Maymont Mansion. Guests may dress in Victorian costume or wear a hat and gloves.

### ► Saturday, May 13

#### **Bon Air Historical Society presents Bon Air Victorian Day Parade and Festival Parade: 11 a.m.-noon Festival: Noon-3 p.m.**

The parade route runs from Bon Air Baptist Church to Bon Air Christian Church on Buford Road. Bon Air Library staff and Friends of the Library will walk in the parade to the festival at Bon Air Christian Church. Join the Friends of the Library for a special book sale at the festival!





## & Features

# Spring into Music

This spring, Chesterfield County Public Library will partner with the Chesterfield Cultural Arts Foundation to offer free, family-friendly concerts and educational music programs at four libraries.

### Chester Library

#### One Voice Ensemble

This smaller section of the One Voice Chorus performs traditional spirituals, classical music, contemporary and classic jazz.

**Saturday, April 22 2-3 p.m.**  
Chester Library

#### Festival Belles

Enjoy the sounds of classical, jazz, popular and Broadway music from this a capella choir from Petersburg. With no instruments in sight, these women use only their voices to create their beautiful music.

**Saturday, April 29 2-3 p.m.**  
Chester Library

#### Bonefire: A Trombone Choir

Classical, jazz and pop music for the whole family! Meet the musicians and learn the stories behind the music.

**Saturday, May 13 2-4 p.m.**  
Chester Village Green, outside Chester Library

#### Richmond Jazz Band

The big band sound of this 20-piece ensemble features everything from standard jazz to rock and contemporary.

**Saturday, May 27 2-4 p.m.**  
Chester Village Green, outside Chester Library

### Enon Library

#### The Richmond Jazz Society's "Make Music with Me Band"

This family concert features a blend of jazz and children's classics. Children can

join in to make their own music. Registration is required and begins March 25.

**Saturday, April 8 10:30-11:30 a.m.**  
Elizabeth Davis Middle School  
601 Corvus Ct., Chester, 23836

#### Tin Pan Alley Cats

Ken Lelen sings vintage songs and plays acoustic guitars in this concert that offers hit tunes and tales of America's greatest composers: Harold Arlen, Irving Berlin, Hoagy Carmichael, Dorothy Fields, George & Ira Gershwin, Lorenz Hart, Jimmy McHugh, Richard Rodgers, Jule Styne and more.

Registration is required and begins March 25.

**Saturday, April 8 2-3:15 p.m.**  
Elizabeth Davis Middle School  
601 Corvus Ct., Chester, 23836

#### Chris Campbell's Music for Kids

Kick off summer vacation with us! Enjoy music and comical characters from singer, songwriter and ventriloquist Chris Campbell. Registration is required and begins May 27.

**Saturday, June 10 10:30-11:30 a.m.**  
Enon Library

### Ettrick-Matoaca Library

#### The Richmond Jazz Society's "Make Music with Me Band"

This family concert features a blend of jazz and children's classics. Children can join in to make their own music. Registration is required and begins April 22.

**Saturday, May 6 11 a.m.-noon**  
Ettrick-Matoaca Library

#### The Uncle Devin Show

Feel the beat! Enjoy an interactive music experience led by Uncle Devin. Children can hear, see and play a variety of instruments while gaining an understanding of the history of percussion instruments. Registration is required and begins May 6.

**Saturday, May 20 11 a.m.-noon**  
Ettrick-Matoaca Library

#### Kid Pan Alley

Come sing with us! Kid Pan Alley inspires kids to create their own music. In this workshop, participants will work together to create and perform an original song.



Registration is required and begins May 20.

**Saturday, June 3 11 a.m.-1 p.m.**

**Ettrick-Matoaca Library**

## Chris Campbell's Music for Kids

Kick off summer vacation with us! Enjoy music and comical characters from singer, songwriter and ventriloquist Chris Campbell. Registration is required and begins June 3.

**Saturday, June 17 11 a.m.-noon**

**Ettrick-Matoaca Library**

## Meadowdale Library

### The Meadowdale Kids Music Festival

An all-day experience for children to enjoy the diversity of music in the world. Hip hop, rock and roll, classical and a drum circle!

**10 a.m. Melvil Dewey, library hip hop**

**11 a.m. Mr. Erik, rock and roll**

**12 p.m. Falling Creek Middle School Orchestra**

**1 p.m. Drum Your Dreams drum circle**

**Saturday, June 3 10 a.m.-2 p.m.**

**Meadowdale Library**



This project is supported in part by the Virginia Commission for the Arts and the National Endowment for the Arts.

## Acoustic Concert Series

### Sunny Mountain Serenaders

Traditional old-time songs and tunes from all over the Southeast, with an emphasis on the old Virginia repertoire. Fiddle, banjo, guitar, harmonica and plenty of singing!

**Thursday, March 9 7-8 p.m. North Courthouse Road Library**

### Red Tail Ring

Layered, intricate instrumentals and close vocal harmonies are blended in traditional tunes and original songs that will delight fans of old-time music and Appalachian ballads.

**Thursday, April 6 7-8 p.m. North Courthouse Road Library**

### Spencer and Rains

Old-time music with fantastic fiddling! Texas tunes, fiddle harmony and a multi-instrumental repertoire make this a don't-miss duo.

**Thursday, April 13 7-8 p.m. North Courthouse Road Library**

### Pete's Posse

Pete's Posse is three generations of musicians who have come together to create their own electrifying sound they call "multi-generational roots music."

**Thursday, April 20 7-8 p.m. North Courthouse Road Library**

### Kinda Celtic

New twists to old Irish tunes, subtle changes to Scottish melodies and bold arrangements of Appalachian pieces.

**Thursday, April 27 7-8 p.m. North Courthouse Road Library**

### Cary Street Ramblers

High energy, foot-stomping, old-time Appalachian stringband music.

**Thursday, May 4 7-8 p.m. North Courthouse Road Library**

### South Carolina Broadcasters

Primitive bluegrass and old time string music from the foothills.

**Thursday, May 11 7-8 p.m. North Courthouse Road Library**

### Adam Broome & Jaige Trudel; Susan Kevra & Rachel Bell

Two duos bring a mix of French, Celtic and American inspirations.

**Thursday, May 18 7-8 p.m.**

**North Courthouse Road Library**

### Pete and Ellen Vigour of Uncle Henry's Favorites

Traditional old-time tunes and songs from Virginia.

**Thursday, May 25 7-8 p.m.**

**North Courthouse Road Library**





## Featured Events

# EMBRACE YOUR SPACE

Are you ready to refresh your home for spring? Get inspired at this one-day event and learn how to beautify your home, inside and out! Learn about renovating your furniture, planting beautiful and functional gardens, creating DIY decor and more. See a presentation about building and living in a tiny house!

**Saturday, April 29, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.**  
**LaPrade Library**



## ALL ABOARD! COMMUNITY TRAIN DAY

Step into your overalls and engineer's hat while enjoying a family-friendly, event-filled day in celebration of trains!

**Saturday, May 20, 10 a.m.-3 p.m.**  
**Ettrick-Matoaca Library**

## CHESTERFIELD COMIC CON

Pull out your capes, boots, lightsabers, wings, horns, trench coats and sonic screwdrivers – it's time for Comic Con!

It's a cosplay extravaganza, with workshops, a costume contest and costume prizes. We've got tons of comics and merch for sale, and thousands of graphic novels you can check out with your library card. Lots of free, family-friendly games, activities and door prizes!

**Saturday, March 18, 10 a.m.-3 p.m.**  
**Meadowdale Library**





## Bon Air

### For Kids and Families

#### ■ Early Literacy Story Times

Story times end the week of April 17 and begin again the week of June 19.

**Mondays** 10:30 a.m.  
**Wednesdays** 10:30 a.m.

#### ■ Day Care Story Times

Specially designed for child care providers, these large-group story times are held once a month at each library.

**Second Tuesdays** 10:30 a.m.  
**March 14, April 11, May 9**

#### ■ Paws to R.E.A.D.®

Paws to R.E.A.D.® improves the literacy skills of children through the assistance of registered therapy dogs. Sign up at the reference desk for a 20-minute individual reading session.

**First Tuesdays** 6-7:30 p.m.  
**March 7, April 4, May 2**

#### ■ LEGO® Club

We'll provide the building bricks – kids supply the imagination! For children 6-11 years old.

**First Saturdays** 1-3 p.m.  
**March 4, April 1, May 6**

#### ■ Soap Sculpture

Art meets science! Use wedges as simple machines to carve a bar of soap into a beautiful sculpture. For children in grades K-5. Registration is required and begins March 4.

**Saturday, March 18** 10:30-11:30 a.m.

#### ■ Abracadabra Academy

Learn how to astound your friends and family with magic! Professional magician Mickey Moore will share some of his secrets with you in this hands-on workshop. For children 8-12 years old. Registration is required and begins May 6.

**Saturday, May 20** 1-3 p.m.

#### ■ Mad Science: Lights On

Explore the rainbow of colors in white light! Catch a shadow on phosphorescent paperboard and experience light in

a new way through your own rainbow glasses. For children 3-5 years old. Registration is required and begins May 9.

**Tuesday, May 23** 10:30-11:15 a.m.

### For Teens

#### ■ Miracle Vase Pottery Workshop

Teens, sculpt and glaze a pottery vase in this two-part workshop. Registration is required and begins March 27.

**Monday, April 10, and Friday, April 14** 1-2 p.m.

### For All Ages

#### ■ Bon Air Victorian Days

Programs for all ages! See page 4.  
**May 6-13**

### For Adults

#### ■ Sorting Through the Financial Issues of a Serious Medical Diagnosis

Medical debt is one of the largest causes of financial distress and bankruptcy – an outcome which can sometimes be avoided by prompt strategic action and advocacy. Registration is required and begins Feb. 25.

**Saturday, March 11** 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

#### ■ Rain Garden Workshop

Learn how to create a beautiful landscape feature that reduces polluted runoff. Install a public rain garden at the library! Registration is required and begins March 11.

**Saturday, March 25** 10:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.  
**Rain Date: Saturday, April 8**

#### ■ Flowers with Flair

Learn how to create lovely flower arrangements that will brighten and beautify your home. Practice using florist tools and techniques as you make your own bouquet. Registration is required and begins April 8.

**Saturday, April 22** 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

#### ■ Bon Air Bookies

**Life After Life** by Kate Atkinson  
**Wednesday, March 15** 7-8 p.m.

**The Swans of Fifth Avenue** by Melanie Benjamin

**Wednesday, April 19** 7-8 p.m.

**Hunting Season** by Nevada Barr

**Wednesday, May 17** 7-8 p.m.

TO REGISTER FOR AN EVENT:  
Visit [library.chesterfield.gov](http://library.chesterfield.gov) or call any Chesterfield County Public Library at 804-751-CCPL. Not all events require registration.

## Central

Central Library is closed for renovations and will re-open in Fall 2017.

Library programs are held at our nine other locations. Here's where you can find some of your favorites:

■ **Story Time:** all locations

■ **Read 2 Rover:** Chester Library, Clover Hill Library, North Courthouse Road Library

■ **Chainmail:** LaPrade Library

■ **Between the Covers Book Discussion**

**Group:** Chester Library

■ **Ancestry classes:** LaPrade Library

■ **Lunchtime Jam Session:** Chester Library

## Chester

### For Kids and Families

#### ■ Early Literacy Story Times

Story times end the week of April 17 and begin again the week of June 19.

**Tuesdays** 10:30 a.m.  
**Wednesdays** 10:30 a.m.

#### ■ Day Care Story Times

Specially designed for child care providers, these large-group story times are held once a month at each library.

**First Fridays** 10:30 a.m.  
**March 3, April 7, May 5**

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## (Chester Library, continued)

### ■ Read 2 Rover

Reading to a therapy dog provides comfort and motivation for early or struggling readers. No appointments are needed for drop-in sessions at the library.

**Fourth Mondays** 6-7 p.m.  
**March 27, April 24, May 22**

### ■ Special Story Time with Thomas Dale High School Orchestra

Students from Thomas Dale High School Orchestra will use their musical talents to bring story time to life!

**Tuesday, March 21** 10:50-11:30 a.m.

### ■ Mad Science: Dinosaurs

Be a junior paleontologist! Examine dinosaur digs, fossil casts, different kinds of teeth and real dinosaur bones. For children 5-9 years old. Registration is required and begins March 11.

**Saturday, March 25** 10:30-11:30 a.m.

## For Teens

### ■ Game On @ Your Library

Play Wii and tabletop games.

**Saturdays** 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

### ■ Teen Art Club

Get creative! We'll meet once a month to share a love of creativity and self-expression. Bring your own art project and supplies. Open to teens 12-18 years old.

**Third Saturdays** 11 a.m.-1 p.m.  
**March 18, April 15, May 20**

### ■ Teen Spring Break Mini Leadership Institute

Teens, use your spring break to build valuable leadership skills that will give you an advantage on college applications and job interviews. Registration is required and begins March 13.

**Monday, April 10- Wednesday, April 12**  
10 a.m.-2 p.m.

## For All Ages

### ■ Spring into Music

Concerts for families. See page 5.

### ■ Introduction to 3-D Printing

Learn to use computer-aided design (CAD) software to create just about anything, and then print it on our 3-D printer. Registration is required and begins two weeks before each program.

**Saturday, March 11** 10:30-11:30 a.m.

**Thursday, April 13** 6-7 p.m.

**Friday, May 19** 2-3 p.m.

## For Adults

### ■ Chesterfield Needlework Friends

Knit, crochet, socialize and share your techniques with others. All skill levels are welcome.

**Second and Fourth Wednesdays**  
1-2:30 p.m.

### ■ Lunchtime Jam Sessions

Beginner-friendly, informal old-time music jam. Bring your instrument and play along!

**Second and Fourth Tuesdays**  
(no session on April 11)  
Noon-1:30 p.m.

### ■ Altered Books: Turning Old Books into New Art

What happens to books that are out-of-date, like old encyclopedias? Breathe new life into old books by transforming them into artwork that lasts. Registration is required and begins April 22.

**Saturday, May 6** 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

### ■ Between the Covers Book Group

**All the Single Ladies**

by Dorothea Benton Frank

**Monday, March 27** 1-2 p.m.

**Mercy Snow** by Tiffany Baker

**Monday, April 24** 1-2 p.m.

**And the Dark Sacred Night** by Julia Glass

**Monday, May 22** 1-2 p.m.

### ■ Chester Choices Book Group

**At the Edge of the Orchard**

by Tracy Chevalier

**Wednesday, March 1** 10:30 a.m.-noon

**Mrs. Kennedy and Me** by Clint Hill

**Wednesday, April 5** 10:30 a.m.-noon

**Sandcastle Girls** by Chris Bohjalian

**Wednesday, May 3** 10:30 a.m.-noon

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## Clover Hill

## For Kids and Families

### ■ Early Literacy Story Times

Story times end the week of April 17 and begin again the week of June 19.

**Mondays** 6:30 p.m.

(pajama story time, wear your pjs)

**Wednesdays** 10:15 a.m.

**Wednesdays** 11:15 a.m.

### ■ Mother Goose Story Time

Begin your baby's appreciation for books! Learn and play with stories, songs and movement. Story times end the week of April 17 and begin again the week of June 19. For babies birth to two years old. Registration is required and begins two weeks before each session.

**Tuesdays** 10:30-11 a.m.

### ■ Day Care Story Times

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**Fourth Tuesdays** 10:30 a.m.

**March 28, April 25, May 23**

### ■ Paws to R.E.A.D.®

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individual reading session.

**Second Tuesdays** 6-7:30 p.m.

**Third Tuesdays** 6-7:30 p.m.

**Fourth Tuesdays** 6-7:30 p.m.

## ■ Read 2 Rover

Reading to a therapy dog provides comfort and motivation for early or struggling readers. No appointments are needed for drop-in sessions at the library.

**Fourth Wednesdays** 6:30-7:30 p.m.

**March 22, April 26, May 24**

## ■ Play Smart with Toddlers

Learn how play is important in your toddler's healthy development. Registration is required and begins two weeks before each program.

**Thursday, March 23** 10:30-11:30 a.m.

**Thursday, April 27** 10:30-11:30 a.m.

**Thursday, May 25** 10:30-11:30 a.m.

## ■ Music & Movement for Preschoolers

Let your preschooler shake, rattle and roll their way to mastering early learning skills. Registration is required and begins two weeks before each session.

**Thursday, March 9** 10:30-11 a.m.

**Thursday, April 13** 10:30-11 a.m.

**Thursday, May 11** 10:30-11 a.m.

## ■ Drumsticks

Join us as we bring to life "The Leopard's Drum: A West African Folktale." Through dramatic play, children learn to point out patterns in literature and music! For children in preschool through second grade. Registration is required and begins April 29.

**Saturday, May 13** 10:30-11:30 a.m.

## ■ Mad Science: Che-mystery

Discover the mysterious wonders of chemical science through exciting, hands-on investigations! For children in grades K-5. Registration is required and begins April 8.

**Saturday, April 22** 10:30-11:30 a.m.

## ■ Mad Science: Moving Motion

Catapult into Newton's three laws of motion! For children in grades K-5. Registration is required and begins March 11.

**Saturday, March 25** 10:30-11:30 a.m.

## For Teens

### ■ Young Adult Writers Workshop

This monthly workshop will help you hone your skills and develop your style. Join fellow writers for creative writing exercises and fun discussions. Ages 15-21 welcome.

**Second Wednesdays** 5-6:30 p.m.

**March 8, April 12, May 10**

### ■ Teen Advisory Board (TAB)

Develop leadership skills, earn volunteer hours, meet new people and get involved with library programming. Contact Barbara Gumulak at [gumulakb@chesterfield.gov](mailto:gumulakb@chesterfield.gov) for more details.

**First Tuesdays** 6:30-8 p.m.

**March 7, April 4, May 2**

## For All Ages

### ■ Introduction to 3-D Printing

Learn to use computer-aided design (CAD) software to create just about anything. Open to all ages. Registration is required and begins two weeks before each program.

**Saturday, March 11** 2-3 p.m.

**Tuesday, May 2** 2-3 p.m.

## For Adults

### ■ Nifty Knitters

Join us in a relaxed environment, and meet others who enjoy knitting or crocheting. All skill levels are welcome!

**Fourth Mondays** 11 a.m.-noon

**March 27, April 24, May 22**

### ■ Clover Hill Critics

All the Light We Cannot See  
by Anthony Kerr

**Friday, March 17** 11 a.m.-noon

Case Histories by Kate Atkinson

**Friday, April 21** 11 a.m.-noon

The Stranger by Harlan Coben

**Friday, May 19** 11 a.m.-noon

## Enon

## For Kids and Families

### ■ Early Literacy Story Times

Story times end the week of April 17 and begin again the week of June 19.

**Wednesdays** 10:30 a.m.

### ■ Mother Goose Story Time

Learn and play with stories, songs and movement. For babies, from birth to two years old, and their caregivers. Registration is required and begins two weeks before each session.

**Thursdays** 10:30-11 a.m.

**March 2, 16 and 30**

**April 13 and 27**

**May 11 and 25**

### ■ Water Bottle Wind Spirals

Make a colorful wind spinner from plastic bottles! Learn how to reduce waste with creative reuse and recycling. For children ages 3-7. Registration is required and begins March 29.

**Wednesday, April 12** 1-1:45 p.m.

## For Teens

### ■ Introduction to Chainmail

All tools and supplies provided, plus enough rings for you to keep on working at home. Registration is required and begins May 6.

**Saturday, May 20** 2-4 p.m.

## For All Ages

### ■ Spring into Music

Concerts for families. See page 5.

## For Adults

### ■ Pysanky Workshop

Learn how to make decorative Ukrainian eggs using traditional tools to apply layers of dye and wax. Registration is required and begins March 4.

**Saturday, March 18** 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.



## Ettrick-Matoaca

### For Kids and Families

#### ■ Early Literacy Story Times

Story times end the week of April 17 and begin again the week of June 19.

**Tuesdays 10:30 a.m.**

#### ■ Mother Goose Story Time

Learn and play with stories, songs and movement. For babies, from birth to two years old, and their caregivers. Registration is required and begins two weeks before each session.

**Thursdays 10:30-11 a.m.**

**March 9 and 23**

**April 6 and 20**

**May 4 and 18**

#### ■ Mad Science: Living in Space

Experience astronaut life on a mission to investigate life in space and build a model space station. This program is for children in grades K-6. Registration is required and begins March 28.

**Tuesday, April 11 2-3 p.m.**

### For Teens

#### ■ Introduction to 3-D Printing

Learn to use computer-aided design (CAD) software to create just about anything. Registration is required and begins March 18.

**Saturday, April 1 2-3 p.m.**

### For All Ages

#### ■ Spring into Music

Concerts for families. See page 5.

#### ■ Community Train Day

Family fun! See page 7.

**Saturday, May 20 10 a.m.-3 p.m.**

### For Adults

#### ■ Encore Entrepreneurs

Discover the resources available to help entrepreneurs over the age of 50 use their knowledge, passion and experience

to start a business. Registration is required and begins March 10.

**Friday, March 24 10:30 a.m.-noon**

#### ■ Building a Better Budget

Get practical advice for creating and sticking to a budget with tools to track spending and establish saving goals.

**Wednesday, March 22 6-7 p.m.**

#### ■ Are Backyard Chickens for You?

Learn the basics of breed selection, housing, nutrition and protection from predators. Registration is required and begins March 11.

**Saturday, March 25 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.**

## LaPrade

### For Kids and Families

#### ■ Early Literacy Story Times

Story times end the week of April 17 and begin again the week of June 19.

**Mondays 10:30 a.m.**

#### ■ Day Care Story Times

Specially designed for child care providers, these large-group story times are held once a month at each library.

**Fourth Wednesdays 10:30 a.m.**

**March 22, April 26, May 24**

#### ■ Mother Goose Story Time

Learn and play with stories, songs and movement. For babies, from birth to two years old, and their caregivers. Registration is required and begins two weeks before each session.

**Wednesdays 10:30-11 a.m.**

**March 1, 15, and 29, April 12**

#### ■ Baby Signs Story Time

Learn sign language with stories, songs, rhymes and play. For ages 0-23 months. Registration is required and begins two weeks before each session.

**Wednesdays 10:30-11 a.m.**

**March 8, April 5, May 10**

#### ■ Paws to R.E.A.D.®

Paws to R.E.A.D.® improves the literacy skills of children through the assistance

of registered therapy dogs. Sign up at the reference desk for a 20-minute individual reading session.

**Second Saturdays 10-11:30 a.m.**

**March 11, April 8, May 13**

#### ■ Mad Science: Science of Magic

Mystify your friends and family with sleight of hand and optical illusions! Registration is required and begins March 4.

**Saturday, March 18 10:30-11:30 a.m.**

### For Teens

#### ■ 3-D Printing for Teens

Learn how to bring 3-D digital models into the real world. Registration is required and begins April 29.

**Saturday, May 13 10-11 a.m.**

### For All Ages

#### ■ Family Board Game & Wii Night

Scrabble, chess, puzzles, Wii gaming and more! Bring the whole family to LaPrade's "living room" for your board game night!

**Tuesdays 5-8 p.m.**

#### ■ Introduction to Chainmail

All tools and supplies provided, plus enough rings for you to keep on working at home. Registration is required and begins March 25.

**Saturday, April 8 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.**

#### ■ Embrace Your Space

DIY Extravaganza! See page 7.

**Saturday, April 29 10 a.m.-2 p.m.**

### For Adults

#### ■ First Friday Coloring Club

Adults, drop in to color and relax with us over free coffee. Materials are provided, or bring your own.

**First Fridays 3-5 p.m.**

**March 3, April 7, May 5**

#### ■ Doc & Dine

Enjoy a documentary and free pizza! "Run for Your Life" documents how one immigrant's imagination, determination and love for running resulted in the



New York City Marathon. Registration is required and begins Feb. 18.

**Saturday, March 4 12:30-2:30 p.m.**

## ■ Doc & Dine

Enjoy a documentary and free pizza! Interviews and research highlight how a rogue industry brought about the 2008 financial crisis in "Inside Job." Registration is required and begins March 18.

**Saturday, April 1 12:30-2:30 p.m.**

## ■ Introduction to Online Genealogy Research

Learn how to conduct, verify and organize your own genealogical research using free online tools, including Ancestry.com. Registration is required and begins March 23.

**Thursday, April 6 3-4 p.m.**

## ■ Doc & Dine

Enjoy a documentary and free pizza! "Red Army" follows a Soviet hockey team and explains how this team's success parallels the rise and fall of the Soviet Union. Registration is required and begins April 22.

**Saturday, May 6 12:30-2:30 p.m.**

## ■ Encore Entrepreneurs

Discover the resources available to help entrepreneurs over the age of 50 use their knowledge, passion and experience to start a business. Registration is required and begins April 28.

**Friday, May 12 10:30 a.m.-noon**

## ■ LaPrade Bookthink

**Sacre Bleu: A Comedy d'Art**  
by Christopher Moore

**Friday, March 10 10:30 a.m.-noon**

## ■ Stranger in a Strange Land

by Robert A. Heinlein

**Friday, April 14 10:30 a.m.-noon**

**Chaplin & Company** by Mave Fellowes

**Friday, May 12 10:30 a.m.-noon**

TO REGISTER FOR AN EVENT:  
Visit [library.chesterfield.gov](http://library.chesterfield.gov) or call  
any Chesterfield County Public  
Library at 804-751-CCPL. Not all  
events require registration.

# Meadowdale

## For Kids and Families

### ■ Early Literacy Story Times

Story times end the week of April 17 and begin again the week of June 19.

**Tuesdays 10:30 a.m.**

### ■ Bilingual Spanish-English Story Time

Story times end the week of April 17 and begin again the week of June 19.

**Mondays 6:30 p.m.**

### ■ Day Care Story Times

Specially designed for child care providers, these large-group story times are held once a month at each library.

**Third Mondays 10:30 a.m.**

**March 20, April 17, May 15**

### ■ Spring into Music: The Meadowdale Kids Music Festival

See page 6.

**Saturday, June 3 10 a.m.-2 p.m.**

### ■ Hula Hoop Fitness

Exercise the fun way! Build coordination and confidence, and get a hula hoop to take home! For children in grades K-5. Registration is required and begins March 11.

**Saturday, March 25 10:30-11:30 a.m.**

### ■ Mad Science: Super Structures

Sharpen your architecture and engineering skills. Build bridges and columns and learn what makes them strong. Get a Bridge Basics Take-Home Kit! For children in grades K-5. Registration is required and begins April 1.

**Saturday, April 15 10:30-11:30 a.m.**

### ■ Mad Science: Planets and Moons

Discover the solar system! Learn about planets, eclipses, gravity and more. Study moon rocks and build a Mad Science Gravity-Assisted Launcher! For children in grades K-5. Registration is required and begins May 13.

**Saturday, May 27 10:30-11:30 a.m.**

## ■ Meadowdale Earth Day Celebration

Go green with activities for kids and adults, including a puppet show, Splash the Recycling Dolphin, container gardening and composting.

**Saturday, April 22 11 a.m.-2 p.m.**

## For Teens

### ■ Comic Book and Manga Workshop

Learn drawing techniques for telling visual stories. For teens 12-17 years old. Registration is required and begins Feb. 18.

**Saturday, March 4 1-2:30 p.m.**

### ■ 3-D Printed Bronze Jewelry

Learn how 3-D printers work and use design software to create jewelry from bronze filament in this two-part workshop. For teens in middle and high school. Registration is required and begins April 22.

**Two Saturdays, May 6 and 13**

**10:30 a.m.-noon**

## For All Ages

### ■ CCPL Chess Club

Learn to play the beautiful game of chess in a relaxed, stress-free environment. Join our club and meet others who enjoy the game. All ages are welcome!

**Tuesdays 6-8 p.m.**

### ■ Meadowdale Volunteer Fair

Learn about volunteer opportunities available in your area. Speak with representatives from local organizations and find out how you can gain work experience and give back to your community.

**Saturday, March 4 10 a.m.-noon**

### ■ Chesterfield Comic Con

Free, family-friendly event. See page 7.

**Saturday, March 18 10 a.m.-3 p.m.**

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## (Meadowdale Library, continued)

### ■ Conquer the Wave of Trash

Every year, trash kills thousands of fish and birds and smothers critical environments like fisheries, affecting human life here in Virginia and around the world. Learn how you can make a difference by reducing litter and recycling.

**Saturday, March 25 1-2 p.m.**

### ■ Meadowdale Library Spring Chess Tournament

The Virginia Scholastic Chess Association presents a K-12 Scholastic Chess Tournament with quads for adults and advanced scholastic players. To preregister and for more information, please visit [vschess.org](http://vschess.org). Registration fee is \$7-20.

**Saturday, May 20 9 a.m.-4 p.m.**

## For Adults

### ■ Starting a Non-Profit

Learn the steps and requirements for starting a nonprofit organization. Presented by the Greater Richmond Bar Foundation/ProBono Clearinghouse. Registration is required and begins March 22.

**Wednesday, April 5 6-8 p.m.**

### ■ Author Yaa Gyasi

See page 2.

**Saturday, April 22 7-8:30 p.m.**

### ■ Meadowdale Book Group

**The Beekeeper's Daughter** by Santa Montefiore

**Thursday, March 9 7-8 p.m.**

**The Girl on the Train** by Paula Hawkins

**Thursday, April 13 7-8 p.m.**

**Mrs. Lincoln and Mrs. Keckly: The Remarkable Story of the Friendship Between a First Lady and a Former Slave** by Jennifer Fleischner

**Thursday, May 11 7-8 p.m.**

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## Midlothian

### For Kids and Families

#### ■ Early Literacy Story Times

Story times end the week of April 17 and begin again the week of June 19.

**Mondays 10:30 a.m.**

**Tuesdays 10:30 a.m.**

#### ■ Day Care Story Times

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**Fourth Mondays 10 a.m.**

**March 27, April 24, May 22**

#### ■ Paws to R.E.A.D.®

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**Second Tuesdays 6-7:30 p.m.**

**Fourth Saturdays 10:30 a.m.-noon**

#### ■ Sassy Science: GoldieBlox

When girls put their heads together, anything is possible! Have fun problem-solving in teams with GoldieBlox building kits. For girls 6-10 years old. Registration is required and begins March 11.

**Saturday, March 25 10:30-11:30 a.m.**

## For Teens

#### ■ Coding Unplugged

Teens, write a program for a human "robot" as you learn about coding and computer science. Explore online sources for coding, creating apps and more. Registration is required and begins April 22.

**Saturday, May 6 1-3 p.m.**

## For Adults

#### ■ Growing Plants from Seeds

Local horticulturist Bernice Stanley will teach home gardeners basic techniques for seed propagation of annuals, perennials and woody plants.

**Tuesday, March 28 7-8 p.m.**

#### ■ A Morning of Jazz with Carol Covell

Join singer Carol Covell and keyboardist Stan Smith for music and commentary on how songs turn into jazz standards.

**Wednesday, April 12 10:30-11:30 a.m.**

#### ■ Retirement: Making Your Money Last

An investment professional will address key concerns such as inflation, health care expenses and market volatility.

**Wednesday, April 26 7-8 p.m.**

#### ■ Midlothian Book Discussion Group

**City of Thieves** by David Benioff

**Wednesday, March 22 10:30-11:30 a.m.**

**Orange Is the New Black: My Year in a Women's Prison** by Piper Kerman

**Wednesday, April 26 10:30-11:30 a.m.**

**Starfire** by Dale Brown

**Wednesday, May 24 10:30-11:30 a.m.**

## North Courthouse Road

### For Kids and Families

#### ■ Early Literacy Story Times

Story times end the week of April 17 and begin again the week of June 19.

**Tuesdays 10:30 a.m.**

**Wednesdays 10:30 a.m.**

#### ■ Day Care Story Times

Specially designed for child care providers, these large-group story times are held once a month at each library.

**Fourth Tuesdays 10 a.m.**

**March 28, April 25, May 23**

#### ■ Read 2 Rover

Reading to a therapy dog provides comfort and motivation for early or struggling readers. No appointments are needed for drop-in sessions at the library.

**Third Wednesdays 4:30-5:30 p.m.**

**March 15, April 19, May 17**



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**Third Saturdays** 10:30 a.m.-noon  
March 18, April 15, May 20

## ■ Tabletop Thursdays

Drop in for a gaming session with our large selection of board and card games! There's something for all ages, from Connect Four to Ticket to Ride.

**Thursdays** 10 a.m.-9 p.m.

## ■ GoldieBlox Engineering Club

Girls will collaborate in teams on a building project, gaining confidence and the inspiration to pursue science and math. Recommended for girls 5-9 years old. Registration is required and begins Feb. 18.

**Saturday, March 4** 11 a.m.-noon

## For Teens

## ■ 3-D Printing for Teens

Get to know the basics of 3-D printing and create something fun to take home.

Registration is required and begins Feb. 25.  
**Saturday, March 11** 1-2 p.m.

## ■ Parents and Tweens Book Group

Parents and kids ages 9-12 read together. Come for food, pick up a journal and discuss our current book. Registration is required and begins two weeks before each session. All participating family members must register. Please call 804-318-8499 for more information.

### Among the Hidden

by Margaret Peterson Haddix

**Monday, March 6** 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Hoot by Carl Hiaasen

**Monday, April 3** 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Esperanza Rising by Pam Munoz Ryan

**Monday, May 1** 6:30-7:30 p.m.

## For All Ages

## ■ Get Acquainted with the Night Sky

View the moon and Jupiter through an astronomical telescope and learn how to use a star map. Must be at least 10 years old. Registration is required and begins April 17.

**Monday, May 1** 8-9 p.m.

## ■ Acoustic Concert Series

Virginia roots music. See page 6.

## For Adults

## ■ Desert in Miniature

Create a cactus terrarium to take home and learn how to maintain a healthy environment for your tiny garden. Registration is required and begins April 1.

**Saturday, April 15** 1-2:30 p.m.

## ■ North Courthouse Fiber Artists

Drop in to knit, crochet, socialize, and share tips and tricks with others as you work on your own projects! Starter kits and lessons provided for brand-new knitters.

**Tuesdays** 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

## ■ North Courthouse Road Book

### Discussion Group

LaRose by Louise Erdrich

**Thursday, March 9** 1-2 p.m.

The Matthews Men by William Geroux

**Thursday, April 13** 1-2 p.m.

Blue Nights by Joan Didion

**Thursday, May 11** 1-2 p.m.

## Chesterfield County Public Library Locations

### Bon Air Library

9103 Rattlesnake Road  
North Chesterfield, VA 23235-2939  
(804) 318-8966

### Central Library

9501 Lori Road  
Chesterfield, VA 23832-6631  
**Closed for renovation**

### Chester Library

11800 Centre St.  
Chester, VA 23831-1781  
(804) 318-8977

### Clover Hill Library

6701 Deer Run Drive  
Midlothian, VA 23112-1901  
(804) 318-8668

### Enon Library

1801 Enon Church Road  
Chester, VA 23836-6164  
(804) 318-8911

### Ettrick-Matoaca Library

4501 River Road  
South Chesterfield, VA 23803-1732  
(804) 318-8688

### LaPrade Library

9000 Hull Street Road  
North Chesterfield, VA 23236-1304  
(804) 318-8988

### Meadowdale Library

4301 Meadowdale Blvd.  
North Chesterfield, VA 23234-5467  
(804) 318-8778

### Midlothian Library

521 Coalfield Road  
Midlothian, VA 23114-4406  
(804) 768-7907

### North Courthouse Road Library

325 Courthouse Road  
Richmond (North Chesterfield),  
VA 23236  
(804) 318-8499

# QUIRK BOARD

**CHESTERFIELD**

**MAKER**

**EXPO**

Saturday, June 3  
at the  
Career and Technical  
Center @ Courthouse  
10101 Courthouse Road  
Chesterfield, VA 23832  
(Near Central Library)



**STAMP IT ONE**

**Reading with Ringling Bros.**  
Earn a circus ticket just by reading! Children ages 2-12 can pick up a rewards club card at any Chesterfield County Public Library - talk to a librarian to get started. Read five books to earn a circus ticket!

## CCPL Book Club Bags

Need to get multiple copies of a book for your discussion? Check out a book club bag!

- Six-week checkout period
- Six or more copies of each book
- Includes discussion questions
- New titles added periodically
- Visit [library.chesterfield.gov/book-club-bags](http://library.chesterfield.gov/book-club-bags) for more information



**MONEYSMARTWEEK**  
APRIL 22-29, 2017

Ask at your local library for activities and resources!

## Families First Diaper Drive March 1-31



Families First, a program of Chesterfield Mental Health Support Services, assists first-time parents in forming strong and lasting relationships with their children while helping them maintain a positive home environment. The program provides prenatal care and family support until the child reaches age five. Drop off diapers, pull-ups and wipes at any Chesterfield County Public Library.